



Credit Union Department

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Notice of Commission Meeting

The Credit Union Commission will meet in Austin on Friday, March 15, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., in the conference room of the Department. A draft copy of the agenda is attached.

Upcoming Audit Committee Meeting

The Audit Committee for the Department is scheduled to meet on Friday, March 15, 2002, at 8:00 a.m., in the conference room of the Department. A draft copy of the agenda is attached.

Results of Legislative Advisory Committee Meeting

The Legislative Advisory Committee of the Credit Union Commission held a public meeting on Friday, February 15, 2002. At that meeting the committee voted to:

- ✍️ Recommend that the Commission adopt the proposed amendments to 7 TAC Section 91.209 as previously published in the *Texas Register*;
- ✍️ Recommend that the Commission approve for publication and comment proposed amendments to 7 TAC Section 91.709 concerning Member Business Loans;
- ✍️ Recommend that the Commission approve for publication and comment proposed amendments to 7 TAC Section 91.802 concerning Other Investments; and
- ✍️ Recommend that the Commission make certain changes to the proposed revisions to the *Standard Bylaws for State Chartered Credit Unions* and republish for comment.

Report of Officials for 2002

Section 122.060 of the Texas Finance Code provides that each credit union must file a report with the Department not later than the 30th day after the election or appointment of each director. Copies of the Report of Officials form for 2002 were included with the December 2001 Call Report package. Please be advised that failure to submit the required report within the specified time frame may result in the assessment of a late penalty. If you have misplaced or need additional copies of the form, please contact us or visit our web site at www.tcud.state.tx.us.

Business Plan Guidelines

An integral part of any application to expand a credit union's field of membership geographically is the business plan. The plan must provide enough detail to demonstrate that the credit union has a reasonable chance for success, will operate in a safe and sound manner, will serve the convenience and needs of the potential members, and will have adequate capital to support its goals and objectives. To assist credit unions in the preparation of such plans, the Department has developed the enclosed guidelines. Any application received without an appropriate business plan cannot be accepted for processing.

2001 Financial Trends in Texas Chartered Credit Unions

Based on the end-of-year 2001 call reports submitted by state-chartered credit unions, assets increased 27.4% during the calendar year. As a result of the asset growth, the Net Worth/Asset Ratio declined to 10.2%. Loans increased \$1.33 billion or 16.3% and Market Share (Savings & Deposits) increased 27.8% for a Loan to Share Ratio at 74.4%. Investments increased 66.0% and Loan Delinquency increased slightly to .89%. The current 2001 Credit Union Rankings and Financial Trends can be viewed on our web site at www.t cud.state.tx.us or you can contact Isabel Velasquez for a printed copy.

Publishing Notice of Applications in the Texas Register

(www.sos.state.tx.us)

In order to meet the submission deadlines for the applicable issues of the *Texas Register*, it is necessary for the Department to establish the following schedule. Because of the *Texas Register* printing schedules, completed applications received after the deadline for the month cannot be published until the following month.

<u>For an Application To be Published</u>	<u>Deadline for Receipt of An Application</u>	<u>Comment Period Will Conclude on</u>
March 2002	Friday, March 15	April 30
April 2002	Friday, April 12	May 30
May 2002	Friday, May 17	June 30
June 2002	Friday, June 14	July 30

Applications Received

The following applications were received and published in the February 25, 2002 issue of the *Texas Register*:

Field of Membership Expansion(s):

Benchmark Credit Union, Midland, Texas – To permit persons who live, work or attend school in Midland County to be eligible for membership in the credit union.

Texans Credit Union, Richardson, Texas – To permit persons who live, work or attend school in Travis and Williamson Counties to be eligible for membership in the credit union.

Applications Received (Continued):

Texans Credit Union, Richardson, Texas – To permit persons who attend school within certain geographic areas currently listed within its field of membership (Telecom Corridor; the cities of: Highland Village, Flower Mound, Coppell, Carrollton, Hebron, Lewisville, The Colony, Sachse, Wylie, Frisco, Richardson, and Plano; and Colin County) to be eligible for membership in the credit union.

Comments or a request for a meeting by any interested party relating to an application must be submitted in writing within 30 days from the date of this publication. Credit unions that wish to comment on any application must also complete a Notice of Protest form. The form may be obtained by contacting the Department at (512) 837-9236 or downloading the form at the <http://www.TCUD.state.tx.us/Applications.html> Any written comments must provide all information that the interested party wishes the Department to consider in evaluating the application. All information received will be weighed during consideration of the merits of an application. Comments or a request for a meeting should be addressed to the Texas Credit Union Department, 914 East Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas 78752-1699.

Merger(s) or Consolidation(s):

An application was received from **Wetex Credit Union** (Mesquite) seeking approval to merge with **Kraft America Credit Union** (Garland) with the latter being the surviving credit union.

Comments or a request for a meeting by any interested party relating to an application must be submitted in writing within 30 days from the date of this publication. Any written comments must provide all information that the interested party wishes the Department to consider in evaluating the application. All information received will be weighed during consideration of the merits of an application. Comments or a request for a meeting should be addressed to the Texas Credit Union Department, 914 East Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas 78752-1699.

